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The New Mexico Film Office Announces *SICARIO* to begin production in New Mexico

SANTA FE —New Mexico Film Office Director Nick Maniatis announced today that the feature *SICARIO*, produced by Black Label Media and Thunder Road Pictures, will begin principal photography in New Mexico. Production will take place in Albuquerque, Las Lunas, Corrales, Laguna Pueblo, Bernalillo County and Sandoval County at the end of June through the end of August.

“We are thrilled that Albuquerque will be one of the principal shooting locations for *SICARIO*. This production represents jobs for hundreds of hard working New Mexicans, and will also benefit local film-friendly businesses,” said Albuquerque Mayor Richard J. Berry.

“The locations in New Mexico are everything I imagined when I read the script of *SICARIO*,” states Director Denis Villeneuve (*Prisoners, Enemy, Incendies*). Produced by Basil Iwanyk, Molly Smith, Trent Luckinbill, Thad Luckinbill and Ed McDonnell, *SICARIO* will employ approximately 200 New Mexico crew members as well as more than 2,000 resident actors and background talent.

Starring Benicio Del Toro (*Snatch, Traffic*), Emily Blunt (*Looper, The Devil Wears Prada*) and Josh Brolin (*Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps, No Country for Old Men*), *SICARIO* is the story of a by-the-book female FBI agent who is assigned to work with two Delta-force operators to take down a Mexican cartel boss, but when they cross the border to Mexico she discovers things are a lot more depraved than she'd expected. The corruption and violence she witnesses challenges her morality, forcing her to play by a different set of rules.

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